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For : INTERIOR MIRROR ASSEMBLY FOR A VEHICLE INCORPORATING  
A SOLID-STATE LIGHT SOURCE

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

TERMINAL DISCLAIMER TO OBVIATE A DOUBLE  
PATENTING REJECTION [37 CFR 1.321]

The undersigned Disclaimant, Niall R. Lynam, is Senior Vice President and Chief Technical Officer of the Assignee identified below, and represents that he is empowered to act on behalf of the Assignee.

The Assignee of record, Donnelly Corporation, located at 414 East Fortieth Street, Holland, Michigan 49423, is the owner of the entire right, title and interest in and to the above-identified application and invention. This application is a continuation United States Patent Application Serial No. 09/626,608, filed July 27, 2000, now United States Patent No. 6,412,973, issued July 2, 2002, which is a continuation of United States Patent Application Serial No. 09/287,926, filed April 7, 1999, now United States Patent No. 6,139,172, issued October 31, 2000, which is a continuation of United States Patent Application Serial No. 08/937,480, filed September 25, 1997, now U.S. Patent No. 5,938,321, issued August 17, 1999, which is a continuation of United States Patent Application Serial No. 08/367,844, filed December 30, 1994, now United States Patent No.

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5,671,996, issued September 30, 1997. The Assignment to the Assignee was recorded on March 6, 1995, at Reel 7385, Frames 0979-0980, a copy of which is attached.

The Disclaimant states that the evidentiary document, namely the attached Assignment, has been reviewed, and Disclaimant hereby certifies that, to the best of his knowledge and belief, title is in the Assignee seeking to take the below action.

The Assignee, Donnelly Corporation, hereby disclaims, except as provided below, the terminal part of any patent granted on the above-identified application, which would extend beyond the expiration of a full statutory term, as presently shortened by any terminal disclaimer, of United States Patent 6,412,973, which was issued on July 2, 2002, and hereby agrees that any patent so granted on the above-identified application shall be enforceable only for and during such period that the legal title to said patent shall be the same as the legal title to United States Patent 6,412,973, this agreement to run with any patent on the above-identified application and to be binding upon the grantor, and successors or assignees.

Assignee does not disclaim any part of any patent granted on the above-identified application prior to the expiration date of the full statutory term of U.S. Patent 6,412,973 in the event that patent later: 1) expires for failure to pay a maintenance fee, 2) is held unenforceable or found invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, 3) is statutorily disclaimed in whole or is found terminally disclaimed under 37 CFR 1.321(a), 4) has all claims cancelled by a reexamination certificate, or 5) is reissued, or 6) is otherwise terminated prior to expiration of its statutory term as presently shortened by any terminal disclaimer, except for the separation of legal title stated above.

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